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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2), Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) to Deposit Account 19-0743. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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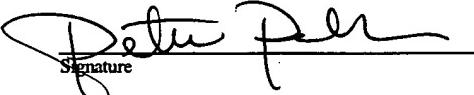
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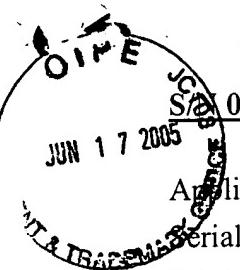
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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following related application(s) in the above-identified patent application:

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09/515,575	February 29, 2000	2043.088US1	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR HARVESTING FEEDBACK AND COMMENTS REGARDING MULTIPLE ITEMS FROM USERS OF A NETWORK-BASED TRANSACTION FACILITY
09/740,502	December 19, 2000	2043.012US1	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING PREDEFINED FEEDBACK
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09/412,893	October 5, 1999	2043.064US1	USER-GENERATED RATINGS SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC NETWORKS

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Continuations and divisionals may be later filed on the cases listed above, or cited to the Examiner in any previous Communication Concerning Related Applications. Applicant requests that the Examiner review all continuations and divisionals of the above-listed or previously-cited patent applications before allowing the claims of the present patent application.

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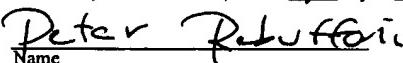
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